

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **PARLIAMENTARY STANDARDS ACT 2009**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **BACKGROUND**

**Outline of the current system of MPs' allowances**

**Recent and ongoing developments concerning MPs' allowances**

**Outline of the current system of salaries for MPs**

**Outline of the current mechanisms for regulating standards in the House of Commons including the registration of MPs' financial interests**

#### **SUMMARY**

**Salaries and allowances for MPs**

**MPs' code of conduct relating to financial interests**

**Investigation and enforcement**

**The appointment of the IPSA**

**The appointment of the Commissioner**

**The Speaker's Committee for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority**

**Expiry of provisions of the Act**

#### **TERRITORIAL EXTENT**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Section 1: Bill of Rights

Section 2: House of Lords

Section 3: Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority etc

Schedule 1: Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority

#### **PART 1: MEMBERS OF THE IPSA**

#### **PART 2: THE IPSA**

*These notes refer to the Parliamentary Standards Act 2009 (c.13)*

Schedule 2: Commissioner for Parliamentary Investigations

Schedule 3: Speaker's Committee for the Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority

Sections 4-7: Salaries and allowances for MPs

Section 8: MPs' code of conduct relating to financial interests

Sections 9-10: Investigation and enforcement

Sections 11-15: Final provisions

**COMMENCEMENT DATES**

**HANSARD REFERENCES**